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SBC Names C. C. Warren President Adopts \$10,000,000 Budget For '56

At the Convention

By A. L. GOODRICH

While enroute to the Southern Baptist Convention by plane Rev. Ronald Sorensen, accompanied by his father-in-law, Rev. Loyd Sparkman, Kosciusko pastor, Mrs. Sorensen and Mrs. Sparkman, had to make a forced landing near Meridian because gas was running short. No damage was done and after a few minutes delay, while more gas was secured, the journey was resumed.

Miami business men not only welcomed the financial returns from Convention personnel but ALL of Miami welcomed the much-needed rain that accompanied the Baptists. In fact, several were heard to credit the Baptists with bringing the rain. And several Baptists were heard to claim credit for the rain. They said that Baptists need much water.

In reporting a three-car collision of three preacher-owned cars, the Miami Herald, in reporting the accident, used a head indicating surprise that all three took it calmly with no

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Five Million-Milestones Reached By Southern Baptists

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BSSB) — Southern Baptists passed five new million-milestones in 1954: (1) church membership passed the eight million-mark; (2) Sunday school enrolment, the six million-mark; (3) Training Union enrolment, the two million-mark; (4) mission gifts, the fifty million-mark; and (5) total gifts, the 300 million-mark.

No other year in Baptist history registered so many outstanding achievements, reported J. P. Edmunds, secretary, Survey, Statistics, and Information Department of the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, in making an annual report of the department to the Board.

Greatest enrolment gain was in Sunday school enrolment, 597,361 over 1953. Baptists can boast that this was the greatest

Sunday school annual gain of any denomination in history. It was greater than the combined gain of the past two years. The 1954 gain was greater than the total Sunday school enrolment in 1895, after fifty years of organized work as a denomination.

The significance of these achievements is in their spiritual implications, such as increased Bible study, greater soul-winning opportunities, stronger churches, and better homes and communities, Edmunds said in his report.

The Training Union percentage gain was even greater than the Sunday school. In going beyond the two million-mark in enrolment, the Training Union forces achieved a record not to

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OKEHS 5 YR. EVANGELISM CRUSADE Kansas City To Host 1956 Meet.

By A. L. GOODRICH

MEETING IN MIAMI, FLORIDA, WITH 11,061 REGISTERED MESSENGERS AND TWICE THAT MANY VISITORS, THE SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION ELECTED DR. CASPER C. WARREN OF CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, AS PRESIDENT, NAMED KANSAS CITY AS THE 1956 MEETING PLACE AND ADOPTED A \$10,000,000 BUDGET FOR 1956.

RECORD BUDGET

A RECORD BUDGET OF \$10,000,000 FOR 1956 WAS ADOPTED. THIS IS AN INCREASE OF \$800,000 OVER THE 1955 budget.

The Convention also ratified an executive committee action that gave the SBC home mission board permission to borrow up to \$3,000,000 from three Atlanta, Ga., banks with which to make first mortgage loans to new churches.

It was reported to the Convention that 1954 was a year of unprecedented achievement, with Southern Baptist church membership exceeding 8,000,

Also, it was announced that Sunday school enrolment had passed 6,000,000, training union enrolment had exceeded 2,000,000, mission gifts were in excess of \$50,000,000 and total gifts in excess of \$300,000,000.

Dr. Porter Routh, the Convention's executive secretary treasurer, reported that assets of 18 SBC institutions and agencies total \$111,014,053, up \$10,

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Shown above is a part of the opening day crowd at the Southern Baptist Convention which met in Miami last week. There were 11,061 registered messengers and probably a total attendance of 35,000. It would have been even larger had not many stayed away in order to go to the Baptist World Alliance which soon meets in London, England.

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500,000 from last year. He said liabilities total only \$4,786,923.

"Southern Baptists are always concerned," he said, "when any agency or institution is in debt, but there is no cause for undue concern."

WARNS AGAINST DEBT

Later, the messengers heard Dr. J. W. Storer of Tulsa, Okla., the Convention's retiring president, issue a stern warning to the denomination against going into debt.

"There are those," he said, "who, realizing the vast potentialities of our mission program and our present inadequate financial accretment for the erection of new church buildings, would launch a credit approach to the problem. They would borrow on the assets of our boards and agencies and upon the financial rating painfully built up through blood and sweat and tears."

Dr. Storer recalled the depression thirties when, he said, he and others "went up and down the land seeking money with which to pay our debts." He said "it is understandable that in these lush financial times it is inconceivable that it has not always been thus."

He told the convention that "if we are wise, we shall so propose our financial program that the danger of those sad sad days of the thirties will not be repeated."

MAKE INTENSIVE EVANGELISM PLANS

The Convention also approved a five-year program of intensive world evangelism for 1960-64; looked with favor on the establishment of another seminary; refused to make Bible institutes a part of the Convention program and okehed a campaign of advertising to acquaint others with Baptist beliefs and practices.

Other officers elected are: Dr. Joe W. Burton, senior secretary; Dr. James W. Merritt, junior secretary; Dr. Porter Routh, Secretary and Treasurer; Dr. John H. Haldeman of Miami, first vice-president; and Dr. Kyle M. Yates, of Houston, second vice-president.

All agencies of the Convention reported record activities in 1954.

FOREIGN MISSION BOARD REPORTS

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, Executive Secretary of the Foreign Mission Board announced the passing of three milestones in the foreign mission program of this denomination, one hundred missionaries appointed in a single year of 1955, one thousand total missionaries on the field in 35 nations, and an operating budget of \$7 million dollars for the year's work.

The Board received more money through the Convention's Cooperative Program financial plan and the special Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for foreign missions than in any

previous year in its history.

The Board's 1954 receipts were \$10,137,532, an increase of \$936,472 over 1953. About 94 per cent went for overseas mission work.

Southern Baptists had 949 missionaries in active service at the close of 1954. Among these are 361 men, 371 married women, and 217 single women. They serve in thirty-five countries and territories.

Southern Baptists worked alongside 1,061 ordained and 2,566 unordained full-time native workers last year. The churches were served by 1,408 native pastors and 120 missionary pastors. The success of foreign missions depends on getting native Christians to work among their own people. Cauthen continued.

The 2,268 Southern Baptist churches on mission fields baptized 22,125 people last year, bringing their total membership to 209,346. (Figures from China have not been available since 1949 and are not counted in the report.)

According to Dr. Cauthen's report a demonstration of interest in Protestantism during a revival meeting in Barcelona, Spain, in October brought stiffer restrictions from Catholic officials.

Four Baptist chapels were closed and construction on two others was halted as a result.

In addition, mistreatment of evangelical Christians in Catholic old-age homes in Spain was charged in the report.

Also hit were Spanish government restrictions requiring that all evangelical Christian services be held inside buildings in such a manner that they will not attract attention, and then limiting the opportunity to build adequate chapels to hold large crowds.

Catholic restrictions on Baptist work in Bogota, Colombia, have eased during the past year, according to the report, although Catholic pressure against evangelicals has increased in Venezuela.

One of the most thrilling events of the Convention was the presentation of 40 new missionaries and the dedication program.

HOSPITAL REPORT

The first debate of the Convention took place concerning the hospital report. California Baptists want a hospital in the Los Angeles area. Their request was submitted by Dr. Frank Tripp of the New Orleans Hospital.

Attention was called to the fact that new enterprises must be approved by two successive conventions. The convention approved the request and it will come before the 1956 meeting at Kansas City.

The California Baptists offer a site valued at half a million dollars.

S. S. BOARD REPORTS

The Sunday School Board reported Sunday School enrollment increase of 497,361 for the



Shown above is the registration desk as the thousands of Southern Baptists were being registered as messengers to the Southern Baptist Convention.

past year.

Dr. James L. Sullivan, (Mississippi) executive secretary-treasurer of the Sunday School Board, listed the following church gains, activities, and plans:

Increases in the Baptist Training Union were 213,408. Total enrollment reached 2,062,952.

Vacation Bible School enrollment reached 2,606,454.

It costs between \$55,000 and \$60,000 a day just to operate the Sunday School Board, he said.

MC CHOIR SINGS

One of the outstanding musical programs of the convention was the one presented by the Mississippi College Choir led by Prof. E. N. Elsey. Each of their three numbers drew enthusiastic applause.

Mrs. George R. Martin, President of the Woman's Missionary Union, reported 1,302,060 members at the end of 1954, an increase of 9.6 per cent over 1953, the highest membership in history. She said that the W. M. U.'s five magazines for various age groups had a combined circulation of 465,000.

Officers elected by the W. M. U. are: Mrs. George R. Martin, President; Miss Alma Hunt, Executive-Secretary; Mrs. Wilfred C. Tyler, of Blue Mountain, Recording Secretary; Miss Lavonia Neal, Treasurer.

THE PRESIDENT'S TELEGRAM

President Eisenhower took note of the meeting of the convention and sent the following telegram:

"To all members of the Southern Baptist Convention meeting in Miami, I send warm greetings. I am particularly glad to know of your plans for a session devoted to the subject of the Christian home. My best wishes are yours for an inspiring gathering."

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

Upon instruction of the convention, President Stores replied as follows:

"On behalf of the thousands of Southern Baptists in Conven-

tion, as its president I wish you to know how greatly appreciative we are for your warm and understanding telegram to the convention. By unanimous request of the messengers present, we do thank you and assure you of our abiding prayers for God's blessings on you and yours."

(Signed) J. W. Storer

"This year has shown the greatest increase in our funds we have ever reported," Dr. R. Alton Reed, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Relief and Annuity Board, told the convention. He said during the year ending Dec. 31, 1954, assets of this board increased \$4,888,919. This placed them at a total of \$35,091,515.

"During 1954, this Board put on the greatest promotional program in its history," Reed continued. "It had the greatest increase in members in all plans. It inaugurated two new plans and closed out another plan in every state of the Southern Baptist Convention except North Carolina."

HOME BOARD GAINS 200

A five-year crusade in home missions closed in 1954 with encouraging reports of mission work and interest. Courts Redford, executive secretary-treasurer, Home Mission Board, told the Southern Baptist Convention in his annual report.

Increases were reported in professions of faith, number of new churches and missions, additions to churches, and increases in missionary personnel and financial support.

Home Mission Board has shown a gain of 200 in regular missionaries and an overall gain of 299 counting summer student workers during the five years.

During the past five years, Southern Baptists have baptized an average of 1,000 persons per day, added 1,200 per day by letter, have contributed approximately \$5,000,000 per week and have constituted an average of 11 new churches per week.

Home missionaries reported

167,000 professions of faith, 1,440 new churches constituted 2,974 missions started, and 132,000 added to the churches, during the five year span.

Receipts for the Annie Armstrong Offering for Home Missions jumped from \$664,475.78 in 1950 to \$1,212,434.57 in 1954. Overall receipts for the Home Mission Board showed a million dollar increase in the five-year period of the Crusade.

As this home mission crusade closes, another period of intensive evangelistic effort begins.

The Four-Year Conquest for Christ began this year. It emphasizes evangelism and conservation in the initial year, church extension and revitalization in 1956, and reaching minority groups, language groups, and the underprivileged in 1957. The last year features promotion of rural work, city missions, and missionary education.

Redford said, in reporting, "We now look forward to 1956 at which time we will seek to reclaim some of those Baptist

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churches that have been lost to our Convention. We hope to revitalize many of the smaller churches that have closed their doors or have had irregular services."

A special effort will be made to accelerate construction of new churches where needed. "It is anticipated that 2,666 churches can be constructed, reclaimed, or revitalized in 1956," he said.

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has 1,324 missionaries working 38 states, Cuba, Panama, the Canal Zone, and Alaska. Included in this number are 370 college and seminary students who do summer mission work in co-operation with the home missionaries.

MINISTERS TO MANY RACES

Many nationalities are ministered to by these missionaries, including Chinese, French, Italian, Russian, Japanese, and Spanish-speaking groups. In addition, the Board has rescue homes, good-will centers and work with Negroes, deaf, migrants, Indians, and Jews.

In co-operation with state boards, the Board directs an extensive city, rural, western, and pioneer program. Through these programs churches are constituted and all of the work of Southern Baptists is promoted.

Home Mission Board missionaries reported 35,843 conversions during 1954, Dr. Redford said.

Circulation of the magazine, Home Missions, published by the Board reached 122,000 last year.

Opposes Unit

Universal Military Training was labeled a danger to peace by the Convention which called for a ban on atomic weapons and radical reduction of armaments.

The Convention heard Sen. Robert S. Kerr, Oklahoma Democrat, plead for more and better education, especially through Baptist schools.

Practically no opposition was voiced to the recommendation of the Christian Life Commission and presented by Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon against UMT in which it was said that "the fruits of Universal Military Training... would increase the danger of our becoming a military civilization tempted to world domination."

"The selective service law is sufficient," the delegates declared.

"One nation can force war upon us," the recommendation said, "one nation alone cannot prevent it, but one nation can demonstrate its desire for peace."

"The preaching of the gospel among all peoples and teaching them the meaning of its message as revealed to us through Christ" is the only way to finally attain worldwide peace,

according to the recommendation from the Christian life commission of the convention.

A. C. Miller, executive secretary of the Christian Life Commission, asked for authority to study the problems of providing church facilities for the aged.

Continue Indian Aid

The commission opposes an abrupt end to government protection of American Indians, he said.

The government, he declared, "can neither enlarge Indian citizenship nor remedy wide-spread Indian poverty, ill health and ignorance."

In the major address of the morning, Sen. Kerr, former president of the Oklahoma Baptist General Convention and former second vice president of the Southern Baptist Convention, warned against complacency in education.

He said the 50,000 students now enrolled in Baptist schools is a noteworthy accomplishment. But it "constitutes a sharp spur for further efforts, rather than a comfortable bench upon which to rest," he added.

Describing the Baptists as the most democratic of the Christian churches, the senator declared that "educated, trained and dedicated leadership" is necessary for the "perpetuation of our ideals."

The convention also approved a program of newspaper advertising in which 26 advertising mats a year would be provided at low cost to churches requesting them. The ads would tell others what Baptists believe.

Friday night, we were urged to use our homes as a place to teach and guide our children with love and firmness. The admonition came from Dr. Perry F. Webb of San Antonio during the Christian Home Hour.

Dr. Paul M. Stevens, director of the convention's Radio and Television Commission, described plans to launch a series of television dramas based on the parables of Jesus.

Stevens said the agency moved its headquarters this month from Atlanta to Fort Worth, Tex., where it soon will be housed in a new \$200,000 building.

"Television is the keynote of evangelism outside the church proper," Stevens said.

"At no point is the backwardness of the Southern Baptist Convention revealed so drastically as in the realm of mass communications," he asserted.

Stevens observed that the Convention's overall advance has been small compared to the strength and number of the denomination. This in spite of statistics indicating phenomenal growth.

The World Do Move

"The world is moving with such speed that our Southern Baptist program is losing ground," he declared, mentioning the increase in the number of missionaries and Southern

Mr. President



Shown above is Dr. Casper C. Warren, newly-elected president of the Southern Baptist Convention. Dr. Warren is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Charlotte, North Carolina, and is a graduate of Wake Forest College (N. C.) and the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Baptist churches as compared to that of world and U.S. population.

"The largest denomination in America raised \$300,000 through a special campaign for television," the Baptist radio-TV executive said, "only to have the ruling body of the denomination rule out all mention of Christ, the resurrection, ascension, virgin birth or salvation by grace. We have surrendered the airwaves to that!"

Pointing to the efforts in radio and television of the Catholics, Jews, Lutherans, Methodists, Seventh-Day Adventists and others, Stevens urged his denomination to "keep the air-waves hot with the true message of salvation."

The Sunday School Board announced promotion of a Morality Crusade during a 15-months period beginning October 1, 1955. Subjects to be covered will include personal regeneration, integrity in personal and business dealings, truthfulness in speech and living, and civic righteousness.

This crusade will follow a definite schedule of emphasis.

The first for the last months of this year will be on personal regeneration as the foundation of morality. The second for the first three months of 1956 will be on honesty—on integrity in personal and business dealings, truthfulness in speech, and justice in all social relationships.

The third emphasis during the spring of next year will be on clean living—cleanness in sex and speech behavior. The fourth emphasis during the summer of 1956 will be on civic righteousness and the duties of Christians as citizens. And the fifth during the last months of 1956 will be abstinence from beverage alcohol and the obligation of Christians to engage in warfare against this curse.

Brotherhood Commission

"Southern Baptist laymen are responding as never before through Brotherhood organizations," said George W. Schroeder, executive secretary of the Brotherhood Commission in his annual report to the Southern Baptist Convention.

During the past year, 956 new church Brotherhoods were established, he said. This brought the total number of Brotherhoods to 8,732.

Enrolment increased 12.9 per cent during 1954 to a total of 274,000 men taking part in Brotherhoods in Southern Baptist churches.

One of Schroeder's main points was his resume of action taken when the Convention met at St. Louis, Mo., last year. The Convention directed the transfer of Royal Ambassadors, a boys missionary group in Southern Baptist churches, to the Brotherhood Commission.

Up to then, the Royal Ambassadors had been part of the organization of the Woman's Missionary Union, women's auxiliary to the Convention.

Complying with the Convention's action, the Commission employed Edward Hurt, Jr., as a new associate. Hurt assumed his new duties on February 1 of this year and will promote Royal Ambassador work.

Before joining the Brotherhood Commission, Hurt was athletic director and track coach at Oklahoma Baptist University, Shawnee, Okla. Frank Black, of Brookhaven, Miss., was employed as an assistant to Hurt.

Black has had military service and experience in Boy Scout leadership.

Schroeder reported that the Brotherhood organizations "exist solely so that they may be used in the work of the Lord through churches."

The two outstanding achievements of the past year were:

1. Sending a team of eight laymen, at their own expense, to Southern Baptist mission fields in South America. The men travelled in pairs visiting mission posts.

2. Sending a group of Brotherhood leaders to Cuba early this year. Working in co-operation with the Home Mission

Board, the Brotherhood leaders told pastors and laymen there about men's work in the churches.

More Publicity For Reports

Some reports presented to the Southern Baptist Convention by its agencies and institutions will be handled differently in the future because of action taken by the Convention.

A committee, headed by S. H. Jones, editor Baptist Courier, South Carolina state newspaper, declared the changes will help provide messengers to the Convention with ample information and time to study matters of Convention business.

Under one of two committee recommendations adopted, motions or resolutions presented

to the Convention which have not first been included in a printed report will have to be referred to a Convention committee for further study.

The second change requires agencies and institutions to submit for publication at least 60 days in advance of the Convention's annual session certain policy and finance matters.

Included will be any matters for Convention action which may not conform to the financial plan of the Convention or which will change fundamental Convention policy. Notice that these matters to be considered will be published in the denominational press before the annual session.

The committee also suggested that the Convention abide by a law which provides that "one-third of the time for discussion of all reports before the Convention shall be reserved for discussion from the floor."

This by law in the past has not always been observed, the committee noted, but should be carefully observed in the future.

The Seminaries

All the Seminaries made glowing reports of progress. Highlights of their reports follow:

New Orleans Seminary

In his report, Dr. R. Q. Leavell, president of the New Orleans Seminary, said 100 new student apartments, renting for \$48 a month, will be completed this year.

They will cost \$840,000, and are financed by the Providence Housing Corporation, which bought 5½ acres of seminary campus. When the costs of construction are repaid, the property will revert to the seminary.

"The New Orleans Seminary has assumed no indebtedness in this expansion," Leavell reported.

Other significant items in President Leavell's statement: Largest enrolment ever this year — 887 students; largest faculty — 30 assisted by 28 teachers below faculty level; total investment in the new Gentilly campus to pass \$5,000,000 mark this calendar year; plans to increase school endowment are in process of formation, and the prediction of a student enrolment of 1,000 next school year if current trends continue.

The fall, 1954, enrolment at the seminary was 764, up 11½ per cent over the previous year's fall figure.

Southwestern Seminary

Reporting for Southwestern Seminary, Dr. J. Howard Williams said 500 units for married students are to be constructed on 30 acres of land adjacent to the campus in Fort Worth. Already more than \$1,000,000 has been secured in cash and guarantees toward the \$5,000,000 needed for the overall expansion program, the report continued.

Among the more than 16,000

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Rev. Joe Abrams and Dr. W. C. Fields	
Friday, June 3	First Church, Flora
Rev. Joe Abrams and Dr. W. C. Fields	
Monday, June 6	First Church, Greenwood
Rev. Joe Abrams and Dr. W. C. Fields	
Tuesday, June 7	First Church, Starkville
Rev. Joe Abrams and Rev. Howard Aultman	
Thursday, June 9	Como Church, Como
Rev. Joe Abrams and Rev. Howard Aultman	
Friday, June 10	First Church, Tupelo
Rev. Joe Abrams and Rev. Howard Aultman	

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

May 22, 1955	
Mt. Pleasant	
(Holmes)	58 50
Laurel, Wildwood	192 71
Hattiesburg,	
Main Street	1033 429
Jackson, Southside	346 185
Edwards	91 60
Jackson, Parkway	1122 570
Jackson, West	410 169
Jackson,	
Daniel Memorial	744 316
Jackson, Ridgecrest	327 123
Jackson, Crestwood	746 454
Flowood	102 93
Jackson, Broadmoor	521 193
Jackson, Calvary	1520 432
Mission	85 40
Jackson, North Side	649 221
Paul Truitt (Rankin)	159 153
Briar Hill (Rankin)	98 69
Clinton	661 380
Jackson, Highland	137 51
Richland	
(Rankin County)	216 87
Jackson, First	1481 473
Jackson,	
Van Winkle	595 275
Clarksdale	503 134
Ripley, First	346 102
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	196 93
Gillsburg	180 109
Booneville, East	100 81
Gulfport Heights	
(Gulf Coast)	84 44
Aberdeen, First	381 98
Grenada, First	782 172
Lyon	150 70
Murphy Creek	
(Winston)	170 114
Biloxi, East Howard	234 136
Morton (Scott)	294 141
Hattiesburg, Temple	579 152
Laurel, Highland	250 111
Fair River	
(Lincoln)	123 72
New Sight	
(Lincoln)	123 72
Laurel, Harmony	206 90
Pilgrim's Rest	
(Copiah)	85 58
Brookhaven,	
Hamilton St.	175 98
Cleveland, Immanuel	171 99
Pleasant Hill	
(Lincoln)	113 72
Natchez, Calvary	105 78
Red Banks	
(Marshall)	61 47
Mt. Moriah	
(Marshall)	38
Horn Lake	158 104
Grenada, Emmanuel	290 109
Soso, First	168 122
Gulfport, New Hope	185 37
Vicksburg, First	632 205
Calhoun City, First	340 161
Yazoo City, First	873 442
Spanish Fort	63 39
Friendship (Jackson)	97 83
Fulton, Trinity	119 46
Bethlehem (Jones)	135 105
Hattiesburg,	
38th Ave.	199 104
Petal-Harvey	366 151
Main School	313
Harvey	27
Richton Road	26
Gulfport, First	990 231
Brookhaven, Central	123 62
Ruth	41 59
Sallis	88 40
Marks, First	264 86
Picayune, First	609 202
Fellowship (Choctaw)	120 88
Columbia, First	710 194

Main	643 151
South Columbia	
Mission	67 43
Union, First	352 129
Newton, First	479 171
Darling	106 70
Meridian, Eastview	210 94
Kosciusko, First	800 249
Main School	781
Maple Mission	19
Crowder	198 107
Wayside (Yalobusha)	61
Pleasant Ridge	
(Holmes)	69 61
Glenfield	
(Union County)	108 118
New Albany, First	706 198
Main Church	629 153
North Side	
Mission	77 45
Calvary (Alcorn)	106 70
Seminary, Union, Sr.	103 101
Mt. Pleasant	
(Holmes)	43 44
New Prospect	
(Desoto)	107 81
Louisville, West End	87 61
Brownsville, Beulah	106 55
Brookhaven,	
Pearlhaven	155 47
Pascagoula, First	798 161
Main School	667 128
McArthur Chapel	47
Orange Grove	
Chapel	84 33
Lucedale	389 174
Charleston, First	409 152
Biloxi, Trinity	232 64
Starkville, First	732 240
Greenwood, Calvary	511 182
Longview	
(Oktibbeha)	100 51
Long Beach, First	278 81
Wheeler Grove	
(Alcorn)	155 144
Corinth, Tate St.	262 81
Stonewall	197 121
Meridian, Oakland	
Heights	276 113
Bluff Springs (Pike)	60 58
Concord (Choctaw)	95 95
County Line (Greene)	64 29
Brookhaven, First	880 283
Main	745 194
Southway	104 68
Halbert Heights	31 21
Crystal Springs, First	655 193
Jackson, Alta Woods	683 267
May 15, 1955	
Gillsburg	170 109
McComb, Friendship	215 76
Ripley, First	340 125
Cleveland, First	487 111
Main School	443
Chinese Mission	44
Cleveland, Immanuel	210 124
Wade	105 75
Lyon	174 64
—BR—	
The Faculty Club of Blue Mountain College recently gave a banquet honoring Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey and his thirty years as President of Blue Mountain College.	
—BR—	
Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Rev. C. L. Warbington, Liberty; Mrs. J. M. Westbrook, Liberty; Donnie Williams, Sylacauga, Alabama; Rev. Jo Thomas Tolar, Sylacauga, Alabama; Rev. J. R. Daniel, Clinton; V. L. Alderman, Clinton; Susanna Mize, Jackson; Mrs. W. E. Derrick, Clinton; Mrs. Frank Ellis, Drew.	

Victory Pastor Goes To Calvary



Eugene Wright

Rev. Eugene Wright has resigned the pastorate of the Victory Church in Calhoun County to accept the pastorate of the Calvary Church in the same county, and will move on the field in the near future.

There were 61 additions to the Victory Church, 38 for baptism, during Mr. Wright's 22 months' pastorate there. Two Sunday School rooms were added; payments were completed on the piano; and a Training Union was organized. Mr. Wright is a graduate of Clarke College.

—BR—

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the resolutions recently adopted by the Morton Church concerning the resignation of Rev. Carl Duck. The resolutions called attention to the outstanding service rendered by pastor Duck and his wife, the fact that the church had experienced remarkable growth under his leadership, the Sunday School had grown from an enrolment of 290 to 528, the Training Union from 79 to 220 and the budget from \$12,000 to \$31,000.

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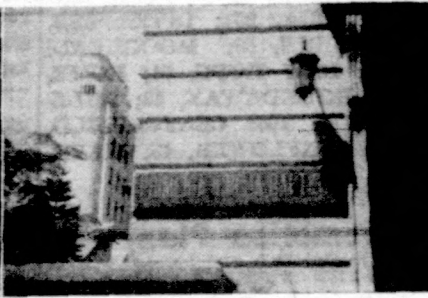
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BAKER JAMES CAUTHEN
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Southern Baptists are committed to world missions. Today approximately 950 missionaries are serving in 35 countries and territories overseas. The Foreign Mission Board hopes to have 1,000 missionaries under appointment by the end of 1955, and 1,750 missionaries at the earliest possible date.

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SUGGESTED STEPS FOR BROTHERHOODS—

Assuming that the Pastors favor the organization of the Brotherhood and that the church will authorize it and elect its officers, the following initial steps should be followed:

The PRESIDENT should call the Pastor and elected officers together to pray and make plans for the future work of the organization.

COMPLETE the organization by making arrangements to fill, by election, any vacancies among the officers. (See BROTHERHOOD GUIDE-BOOK, Page 52, for list of officers).

DECIDE upon a regular time for Brotherhood meetings so that they may be listed on the church calendar.

MAKE PLANS for next meeting: (a) arrange good programs, and (b) include period for introducing the Brotherhood officers and the duties of their offices.

STUDY Brotherhood Enrollment Cards, which were filled out at the organization meeting, and make prospect list for new members.

DISCUSS possible Brotherhood activities and plan initial

program of work to be presented for adoption at next regular meeting.

INSTRUCT secretary to secure BROTHERHOOD JOURNAL (copy for each man enrolled in organization) and Record Book. Order these materials from Baptist Brotherhood Commission, 1548 Poplar Ave., Memphis 4, Tenn.

PLAN for group study of the BROTHERHOOD GUIDE-BOOK by officers and others who may wish to participate.

INSTRUCT secretary to notify state Brotherhood Department of completed organization.

MAKE PLANS to advertise next regular meeting.

SELECT chairmen and form committees to carry on program of activities. (Use Enrollment Cards to find fields of interest).

The PRESIDENT should make a Brotherhood report at the next and following regular business meetings of the church.

Having thus initiated a Brotherhood in your church, it is important that it COOPERATE FULLY with the associational and state Brotherhoods by making regular reports, attending their meetings, and promoting adopted denominational and Brotherhood objectives.

Five Million . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

be overlooked. It took Southern Baptists fifty-two years to reach their first million in Training Union enrollment, whereas it took only six years to reach the second million. At their present rate of growth, they should reach their next million in three years.

Southern Baptist now number 8,169,491 in 29,899 churches and 1,032 associations. There were 396,857 baptisms in 1954, an increase of 35,022 over 1953. Total gifts reached \$305,573,654, of which \$52,926,157 were for missions.

Edmunds said that the prime function of the Board's Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information, through the medium of statistics, is "to help the churches 'see' the unreached multitudes and sense the responsibility which Christians

Abrams Named VP Of Publicity Group

Leonard L. Holloway, of Dallas, Tex., is new president of the Baptist Public Relations Association, which meets each year during the meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention.

Holloway, public relations officer for the Texas State Baptist Convention succeeds Rev. Joe Abrams, of Jackson, Miss., director of promotion for the Mississippi State Baptist Convention. Abrams was elected membership vice-president of the BPRA.

THE BAPTIST RECORD KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

should feel in carrying the gospel of Christ to the ends of the earth."

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

Union Chapel Is In

Knowing the value of the Baptist Record as an assistant pastor, Rev. James Fortinberry, student at New Orleans Seminary, has seen to it that the families of Union Chapel Church are going to get the Record.

Record readers in Coahoma County are now listed as follows: Union Chapel, 17; CLARKSDALE, 208; JONESTOWN, 42; LULA, 68; LYON, 78; Reynolds Memorial, 2; RIVERSIDE, 124; OAKHURST, 90.

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Second, Indianola Is No. 1137

Second Church, Indianola, may be young in age, but it is long on the Baptist Record. Recently a list of 55 names was received with instructions to start the Record so that those people could keep up with what Baptists are doing at home and abroad.

Rev. James G. Watson, Jr. is the pastor.

Record readers in Sunflower County are now listed as follows: SECOND INDIANOLA, 55; BETHANY, 54; Bethel, 4; Blaine, 1; Dockery, 3; Daddsville, 8; DREW, 246 FAIRVIEW, 31; HOLLY GROVE, 27; INDIANOLA, 291; INVERNESS, 79; LINN, 69; MOORHEAD, 189; NEW HOPE, 51; ROME, 50; ROUNDABOUT, 52; RULEVILLE, 165; CENTERFIELD, 20; SUNFLOWER, 46; WADE, 30.

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Promotion Plan Wins Again

Recently, at the request of Pastor R. C. Golding, the Baptist Record was sent on trial for a few weeks to the members of the Union Church in Chickasaw County.

The result was the usual one. The church has adopted the EVERY FAMILY Plan.

Record readers in Chickasaw County are now listed as follows: Amity, 5; Arbor Grove, 14; BETHEL, 33; Egypt, 14; HOULKA, 91; HOUSTON, 158; MT. OLIVE, 37; OKOLONA, 116; PLEASANT RIDGE, 69; SHILOH, 50; UNION CHAPEL, 45; VAN FLEET, 34; WOODLAND, 26; McCONDY, 21; Union, 10.

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Trial Plan Works

One of the latest additions to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record is the Easley Memorial Church in Panola County. Rev. O. W. Wheeler is the pastor.

A few weeks ago He asked that the Record be sent on trial to acquaint his people with the Record. This was done. The results was the usual one. The

Music Department

W. C. MORGAN, Secretary

DISTRICT FESTIVAL CLOSE WITH ALL-TIME HIGH

The district festivals closed Friday, May 13, with the following report in the participation. 214 choral groups, with an enrollment of 4,044, 12 instrumental groups, with an enrollment of 52, 140 junior hymn players, 131 intermediate hymn players, with a total enrollment of 4,454 for the year, 7,345 people in attendance.

The total state enrollment for 1954 was 3,250. This gives an increase in 1955 of 1,204. We are grateful for the fine manifestation of interest in the program of music. The level of performance over previous years was very noticeable. The emphasis on full choirs is on the increase. The graded choir program for the churches is on the increase. It is gratifying to note the work that is being done with the childrens choirs. It is also gratifying to see the number of regular church choirs participating in our festival program.

All-in-all we have had a great season of festival work this spring. All of the groups and hymn players entering our district festival program will be eligible to participate in our State Festival next November 25. The quality of hymn playing is much better than other years. The interest in the program is growing rapidly and in many of our churches these

hymn players are serving as regular pianist for the church services and in many cases they are serving as organist.

The certificates along with the ratings will be mailed to the hymn players, choral, and instrumental groups at the earliest possible moment. It is hoped that each of these will start preparation now for the State Festival to be held next November 25, First Church, Jackson.

CHECK YOUR CALENDAR FOR JUNE 10

On Friday, June 10 our State Music Leaders and Pastors Laboratory will be held in the First Church of Jackson from 9:45 a. m. to 3:50 p. m.

This meeting is an exceedingly important meeting discussing the relationship of the music director to the pastor and the pastor to the music director. Other features on the program will include Procedures in Setting Up the Church Music Department, Services of the Book Store, State Promotions, and The Music Leaders Exchange and Open Forum.

Dr. Plunkett Martin, Director of the School of Music of the New Orleans Baptist Seminary, will be featured on the program. You cannot afford to miss Dr. Martin. Materials will follow.



Shown above is Rev. Clyde Smith, who is a student at Miss. College.

He was licensed to preach by his home church, First Church, McComb, Sunday night, May 1. He is completing his second year at Mississippi College. Dr. Wyatt Hunter is the pastor at First, McComb.

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church adopted it.

Record readers in Panola County are now listed as follows:

Easley Memorial, 14; Askew, 13; BATESVILLE, 255; COMO, 76; Courtland, 15; CRENSHAW, 44; Curtis, 1; ENON, 50; GOOD HOPE, 37; HEBRON, 39; LIBERTY HILL, 42; LOCKE STATION, 28; Longtown, 12; McIvor, 5; PEACH CREEK, 55; White Oak 1; Pharsalia, 2; PILGRIM'S REST, 37; POPE, 36; Sardis, 18; TOCOWA, 21; UNION, 25; White Oak Grove, 4; CALVARY, 46; Shady Grove, 18.

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Jerry Johnston and George Dye, both of Miss. College, have been recommended by Dr. L. E. Green, Prentiss, and Rev. J. F. Stanford, Pelahatchie, respectively, for Youth-led Revival work this summer.

Boyle Baptist Church may now be added to the growing list of churches scheduling these meetings. Write us if you would like to have one or more of the twenty-six consecrated students who have volunteered for this work in your church for one of these meetings.

Of the Youth-led Revivals held in their church last year, Rev. J. H. Sherman, of New Hope Church, near Drew, writes: "All in all we could not have wished for a job better done than these young people did," and Rev. Claude Galloway, of Walthall, says, "We had a wonderful time in our Youth Revival. Our people certainly were uplifted spiritually and I feel sure that through our Revival here all the efforts put forth were for the glory of our Saviour."

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possible for our State Board to purchase a State Assembly down on the Gulf Coast. We hope to have a BSU Week down there in '56.

We are grateful, also, that the Board voted in its recent meeting to send Mrs. Chester Quarles, along with her husband, our beloved Executive Secretary-Treasurer, to the World Congress in London.

One from Southwest Jr. joined the Summit Church last month.

Two Ole Miss coeds made professions of faith and five Ole Miss students rededicated their lives to the Lord's service during Oxford First Church's recent meeting.

Remember: Ridgecrest registration (\$2.50 each) and bus fares (\$20 each) are due in our office by May 30th.

Contributions from Miss. State (\$38.37), Pearl River Jr. (\$25), MSCW (\$35), E. Central Jr. (\$42) and Itawamba Jr. (\$25) brings SSM total to \$2435.28, leaving \$564.72 to go on the \$3000 goal.

Graduating Seniors, may we suggest that you transfer your church membership as soon after graduation as possible?

88 Hinds Jr. students dedicated their lives to Christ's service during a chapel service held there by four former students who are now at William Carey.

Clarke BSU Reaches First Magnitude

Through the untiring efforts of the 1954-1955 Council; the continued efforts of the 1955-1956 Council; the co-operation of the students and faculty; and the guidance of Charles W. Powell, Director of Religious Activities, the Baptist Student Union of Clarke College has reached First Magnitude.

This is the first time since 1951 that the BSU of Clarke has reached First Magnitude.

Final Plans Announced For Regional Meets

Final plans and preparations have been made for the series of eight Regional Planning Conferences to be held for the purpose of making plans for Church and Denomination Night, to be held in each church one night during September or October.

The first conference will be held at First Church, Wiggins, Monday night, May 30, 7:30 p. m., to be conducted by Rev. Joe Abrams, Director of Promotion and Rev. Howard Aultman, Tupelo, pastor Harrisburg Church, and vice-president of the State Convention.

Those expected to attend the conferences are church and associational officers and leaders. Each one is urged to check schedule below and attend the conference most convenient.

Plans will be mapped at the planning conferences for the observance in each association. Materials will be distributed and other helps presented.

Assisting in conducting some of the conferences will be Dr. W. C. Fields, Yazoo City, pastor First Baptist Church and president of the State Convention Board.

Check this week's Record for display giving full schedule.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

May 30—Graduating Exercises, Blue Mountain; Graduating Exercises, Mississippi College.

May 31—J. Ralph Noonkester, William Carey College faculty; Mrs. R. C. Bryan, Humphries Associational W. M. U. Superintendent.

June 1—Rev. A. L. Goodson, DeSoto Associational Chairman of Evangelism; V. J. Runnels, Gulf Coast Associational Training Union Director.

June 2—Mrs. Sam E. Oswalt, Choctaw Associational Music Director; O. B. Kerr, Marshall Associational Brotherhood President.

June 3—Rev. James Harrell, Wayne Associational Missionary; Roberta Crowell, Baptist Building.

June 4—Harold Gully, BSU Director, Pearl River Junior College; Mrs. E. N. Elsey, Mississippi College faculty.

June 5—D. A. McGee, Jeff Davis Representative, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board; William A. Cole, Jr., Lamar Representative, Miss. Bapt. Conv. Bd.

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Dr. C. S. Thomas is serving as interim pastor at Houston while the church seeks a successor to Rev. W. G. Watson who recently went to Greenwood.

50, 40 and 25 Years Ago

By J. L. BOYD Sr.

50 Years Ago

President W. T. Lowrey of Mississippi College tells of a offer from the family of Captain Z. D. Jennings of Water Valley to give \$20,000 to erect a memorial building on the campus in memory of Capt. Jennings, recently deceased. (Jennings Hall, now used as dormitory by young ladies of the freshman class is the building).

40 Years Ago

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION NUMBER: The Convention met in Houston, Texas. Lansing Burrows of Georgia was re-elected president. O. F. Gregory and Hight C. Moore were re-elected secretaries. Total Foreign Board receipts, \$537,073; Home Board receipt, \$381,685.

25 Years Ago

Pastor R. M. Dykes of Tehula was assisted in a meeting of days by L. Bracy Campbell of the Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, when 27 persons joined the church, 17 of them for baptism.

Pastor C. C. Weaver reports on a good meeting in which eight joined the Hernando Church, three for baptism, Rev. Bryan Simmons doing the preaching.

Dr Guinn Will Address Graduates

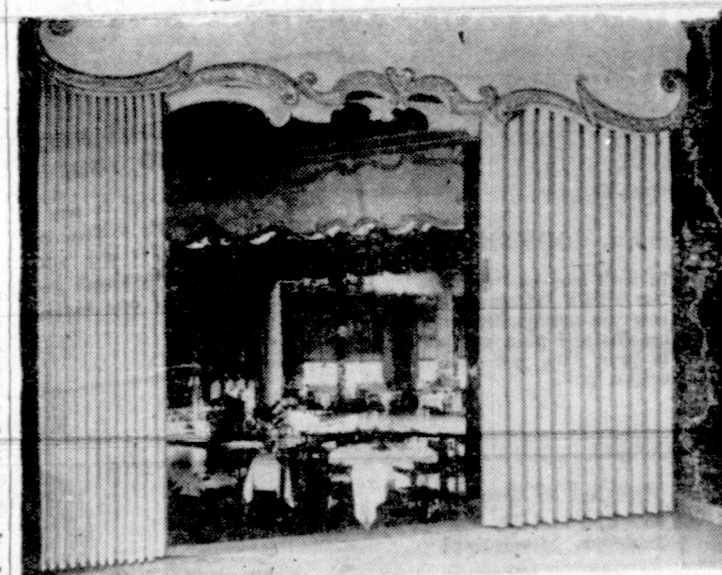


Dr. G. Earl Guinn

Dr. G. Earl Guinn, a native Mississippian and now president of Louisiana (Baptist) College in Pineville, Louisiana, will address the 8 members of the graduating class of the Gilfoy School of Nursing of Mississippi Baptist Hospital on May 28 at 8 p. m., in the school auditorium.

Dr. Guinn was born in Moss-ville, and was educated in the public schools of Hattiesburg and Laurel. He later entered Acadia Baptist Academy at Eunice, Louisiana, and continued his studies at Louisiana College.

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Braxton (Simpson) ..	54	11.20
Canaan (Benton)	29	6.04
Clark (Newton)	147	34.07
Collinsville		
(Lauderdale)	90	14.40
Fellowship (Zion) ..	56	14.95
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(Yalobusha)	149	
Gaston (Prentiss) ...	113	24.60
Hickory Flat (Benton) ..	116	25.81
Locust Hill		
(Pontotoc)	51	
Mantee (Zion)	117	33.67
Mendenhall Baptist		
(Simpson)	213	
Mineral Springs		
(Calhoun)	30	1.00
Mt. Hebron (Tippah) ..	64	7.90
New Augusta (Perry) ..	108	10.03
Oak Hill (Prentiss) ..	52	5.56
Oakland (Tippah) ..	77	4.03
Phatti (Jeff. Davis) ..	92	14.58
Pleasant Grove		
(Grenada)	68	16.23
Raleigh (Smith County) ..	127	25.00
Robbs Chapel		
(Pontotoc)	42	1.00
Second, Shannon		
(Pontotoc)	110	9.75
Soso (Jones)	200	16.67
Spring Creek (Nehoba) ..	63	3.36
Stonewall (Clarke) ..	248	18.00
Union (Rankin)	37	7.64
White Oak (Smith) ..	94	16.64
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(Lafayette)	82	9.77
Water Valley		
(Yalobusha)	149	15.34
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(Union)	121	13.47
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PASADENA, Calif.—(RNS)—

The public went on trial at Central Christian church here, charged with "contributing to the delinquency of a minor." Many civic officials had roles in the mock trial, which pointed up the juvenile delinquency problem and the reasons for it. Justice W. Turney Fox of the Los Angeles District Court of Appeals presided. Attorneys Louis Ballenger and Jack Crickard served defense and prosecution respectively. Glendale, Calif. Police Chief C. R. Eggers was a witness, as were school principals, Sunday school teachers, Boy Scout leaders and others in public life. Mr. and Mrs. George Nichols represented Mr. and Mrs. John Q. Public.

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DISTRICT TRAINING UNION CONVENTIONS

Date	Place	Associations Included
May 30	Holly Springs	Benton, Lafayette, Marshall, Pontotoc, Tippah, Union County
31	Booneville	Alcorn, Itawamba, Lee, Prentiss, Tishomingo
June 2	Houston	Calhoun, Chickasaw, Clay Lowndes, Monroe, Zion
3	Philadelphia, Beacon St.	Choctaw, Kemper, Neshoba, New Choctaw, Noxubee, Ok-tibbeha, Winston

WAYNE CAMPAIGN

Fourteen of the twenty-four churches in Wayne County participated in a Simultaneous Training Union Enlargement Campaign recently.

The methods books were studied during the week and there were 633 present in the classes on the third night of the campaign, which was 83 per cent of the total Training Union enrolment for the 14 churches participating. The enrolment for the campaign as recorded in each church exceeded 700 during the week.

One new Training Union was organized at Eret Baptist Church. Thirteen new unions were added in the fourteen churches and sixteen new departments were organized. A total of seventy-eight new workers were enlisted to work in the Training Unions. An attendance goal of 855 was set for the closing night of the campaign; this goal was almost twice as many as were present the week before the campaign.

The Wayne Associational Enlargement Campaign was planned and promoted by Rev. James Harrell, Associational Missionary of Wayne Association, and he was assisted by Mr. J. L. Pigford, Associational Training Union Director.

Following are brief reports from churches which participated in the campaign:

Big Creek

Rev. John Merritt is pastor and Mr. Cecil Mills, Director. Miss Gladys Bryant of East Central Jr. College directed the campaign. There were 44 enrollees in the school with 37 awards issued.

Calvary

Rev. A. W. Talbert of Macedonia Church, Brookhaven directed the campaign. 122 were enrolled in the classes and 67 awards were issued. Rev. Tracy Barnett is pastor and Mr. J. L. Pigford is Director.

Miss Lois Tyler taught Junior and Intermediate leaders; Rev. Barnett, Intermediates; Mrs. Barnett, Juniors; Mrs.

Davis, Young People; Mrs. Walter Nash, Nursery, Beginner leaders; Miss Evelyn George, Primary leaders.

Chicora

Mrs. J. C. Greenoe of Vicksburg directed the campaign. Rev. John Merritt is pastor and Mrs. Virgil Pope is Director. 37 awards were requested, 2 new departments were added and 2 new workers enlisted.

Clara

Mr. Auber J. Wilds directed the campaign. Mrs. Wilds taught Junior and Intermediate leaders. 152 were enrolled. Highest attendance of week was 112, which was highest in the campaign. Rev. James Gilbert is pastor and Melvin Jones, Director.

Coyt

Miss Louise Hill directed the campaign. 58 was the highest attendance for the week with 72 present on the Sunday night following the campaign. One new department was added and 4 workers were enlisted. J. A. Daughtry is pastor, Otis Evans, Director.

Eucutta

Rev. Norris Hickman directed the campaign. Rev. H. A. Burns is pastor and Mr. Quinton Leggett is director. This Training Union reorganized and also added an additional worker. 36 were enrolled and 22 awards requested.

Eret

Mr. G. G. Pierce directed the campaign. Rev. W. Joe Culpepper is pastor and Mrs. William Shultz is the new Training Union Director. 48 were enrolled during the week in the classes with 39 the highest attendance. Three new unions and 1 new department and 12 new workers were added. All new unions which were organized gave their parts the first Sunday night after organizing without use of quarterlies.

In next week's issue reports from other churches in this campaign will be listed.

S B C Names...

(Continued from Page 3)
students who have attended the seminary since it was founded are ministers, missionaries, church musicians, church educational workers, and other religious workers serving in the United States and in 32 foreign countries, the report said.

An all-time high in number of graduates in a given year was attained at Southwestern last year when 481 graduated.

Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary

President Harold Graves said that the current enrolment of 277 students is the highest in Golden Gate's history.

Students attending Golden Gate last semester (Fall, 1954) organized sixteen churches and six mission stations.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary

Total student enrolment at the seminary, according to Dr. Duke K. McCall, President, was 1,625 for the current academic year, a new high in enrolment. More than three-fourths of the students are men.

The previous high enrolment, recorded last year, was 1,529.

Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is the third oldest Baptist theological seminary in the United States. It was established in Greenville, S. C., in 1859 and moved to Louisville, Ky., in 1877.

The American Baptist Theological Seminary

Reporting for the American Baptist Seminary, Dr. L. S. Sedberry said, "the future of American Baptist Theological Seminary looks brighter because of the interest shown last year by two Baptist bodies who support it, the Southern Baptist Convention was told today.

The seminary, located at Nashville, Tenn., provides education in theology and religious

education for Negro students.

In addition to the Southern Baptist Convention, it also gets support from a Negro Baptist group, the National Baptist Convention, Inc.

Another reason for its bright future, Sedberry continued, is Southern Baptists' increased attention to Negro work. The Convention spent more than \$500,000 last year on Negro work.

American Seminary was founded in 1924. It had thirty students, only two of them women. Today, there are eighty-two students, including seven women.

Southeastern Seminary

"We have experienced phenomenal growth during our first four years of existence," President S. L. Stealey of Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary told the Convention.

Describing its increase in enrolment, Stealey said, "we opened in fall, 1951, with four faculty members and seventy-six students. April 29, 1955, marked the end of four years of operation.

"We enrolled last year 394 students. We also have turned away many students because we lacked space."

The seminary, in Wake Forest, N. C., has students from nineteen states and one foreign country.

Stealey pointed out that the six Atlantic seaboard states nearest Southeastern Seminary contain one-third of the rural churches in the Southern Baptist Convention. "For this reason," he said, "we have set up what we feel are exceptional courses in field work and church - community development.

Approves State Church Separation

The Convention approved a report that "noted with gratitude" recent developments that

promised more emphasis on separation of church and state, especially in Latin American countries.

The convention's action stemmed from an earlier move to give specific approval to the Argentina Chamber of Deputies. The chamber recently voted 121 to 12 for a government-sponsored measure that would disestablish the Roman Catholic Church as the state religion of that country.

The approved report emphasized the Southern Baptists' "historic conviction in support of complete separation of church and state." It stressed also that "we do not desire to identify ourselves with any political group, but only with the principle of full religious liberty."

"WE ABHOR the invasion of the conscience of men whether by constituted authority of the state or, as is too often true today, by religious bigots in violation of the constitution of a nation," the report asserted.

The convention urged "all governments to give encouragement to measures making pos-

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MEET THE LEADERS

Would you like to know the associations that had the largest percentage of enrollment gain last year, during the "Million More in '54" year? Well, we wanted to know also, and here they are:

Leflore led the list with a net gain of 45 per cent. In second place was Gulf Coast association with 23 per cent. Union was third with 22 per cent.

The next five are: Jackson, 17 per cent; Lee, 15 per cent; Jones, 12 per cent; Hinds, 10 per cent; Lebanon, 8 per cent.

These associations lost in Sunday school enrollment last year Covington, Franklin, Lawrence, Humphrey, Montgomery, Tate, Union County and Yalobusha.

The total net gain for the year was over 22,000, which made our percentage of gain just about the average of the larger states in the Convention.

The total Southern Baptist Convention gain was 613,000, which was some 240,000 more than we had ever had in our history.

Our very sincere thanks to all who helped in this good gain for last year.

THE END IS NOT YET

Just as the good results of a revival are not contained within the few days of the actual services, but continue to come for a long time thereafter, so, also, the results of the "Million More in '54" program are not confined to that one year but are still being reaped by many schools and churches.

Only a few days ago, we learned of one of our larger churches that had in April of this year the largest average attendance in the history of the church in their Sunday school. About that same time another school gave us the same statement.

So, we are continuing to reap the fruit of the seed sown last year, in many cases. One reason for this is that some churches simply did not get their additional rooms ready until 1955, and could not expand last year as they wished. But now they are getting the benefits of all that, and they will keep coming for a long time.

As Paul said in Galatians, "Be not weary in well-doing, for in due season ye shall reap, if ye faint not."

RICHBURG IS REALLY MOVING

From an enrolment of 6 to 112, with an average attendance

of 106 in April, is the very excellent record of the Richburg church, in Lebanon association, in the past three years.

At a recent meeting of the officers and teachers, the following goals were set for May: Average attendance of 115 and 38 new members, which will make the enrolment total 150.

We want to extend our very sincere congratulations to this good church on this very splendid record. Rev. J. Ray Grissett is the pastor and Mr. Carl C. Walker the superintendent of the Sunday school.

REPORTS ARE COMING IN DON'T FORGET YOURS

Yes, sir, the reports of Vacation Bible schools are coming in now right along.

The best time to send them in is just as soon as the school closes. Don't wait on it, but get them in immediately. And, send two copies of it — one for the state office and one for the Nashville office. Send them both to the State Sunday School Department and we shall send one to Nashville and keep the other.

These reports are very important because they help us to know the facts and figures each year about these schools. Also, the valuable statistical summaries are made up from these reports. The strong points and the weak points are known, and thus we are in better position to help because of this knowledge.

Mississippians Named On Boards

The following Mississippians were named as members of commissions and committees of the Southern Baptist Convention at Miami last week. Many others are members of these groups but their terms have not expired.

Rev. C. B. Hamlett, III, First Church Winona, Historical Commission;

Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, First Church Jackson, Executive Committee;

Dr. J. H. Kyzar, First Church Greenwood, Foreign Mission Board;

Dr. T. J. DeLaughter, First Church Pascagoula, Trustee New Orleans Seminary;

Dr. John E. Barnes, Jr., Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, Trustee, Southern Baptist Hospital;

Dr. G. C. Hodge, Biloxi, Christian Life Commission;

Dr. Wm. P. Davis, First Church Flora, Radio and Television Commission;

Leland Speed, Jackson, Southern Baptist Foundation.

Named on other committees were: Dr. Wilburn S. Smith, Starkville, Committee on Resolutions; Dr. Joe T. Odle, Gulfport; and Rev. Joe Abrams, Clinton, tellers; Dr. John E. Barnes, Hattiesburg, Committee on Committees; Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, Jackson, Committee to Study Theological Education; Dr. G. Norman Price, Jackson, Committee on Time, Place and

Preacher; Dr. L. E. Green, Prentiss, Committee on Boards.

Other Mississippians already members of various committees whose terms have not expired are: Dr. Irving Prince, Hattiesburg, home mission board, 1956; Dr. G. Norman Price, Jackson, Sunday school board, 1957; Dr. Joe T. Odle, Gulfport, relief and annuity board, 1956; Dr. Howard Spell, Clinton, and Rev. Van Hardin, Lucedale, Louisville Seminary trustees, 1956; Don Baker, Leland, Fort Worth Seminary, 1958; Owen Cooper, Yazoo City, New Orleans Seminary trustee, 1958; Dr. T. J. DeLaughter, Pascagoula, New Orleans Seminary trustee, 1958; Dr. Eugene Farr, Clinton, New Orleans Seminary trustee, 1957; Dr. S. R. Woodson, Columbus, Golden Gate Seminary trustee, 1958; Dr. Lawrence T. Lowrey, Blue Mountain, Wake Forest Seminary trustee, 1956; Dr. John E. Barnes, New Orleans Hospital trustee, 1958; Cecil Travis, Jackson, radio commission, 1956; Rev. Lowrey Compere, Newton, trustee of American Seminary, Nashville, 1957; Dr. S. B. Platt, Columbus, brotherhood commission, 1956; Dr. A. L. Goodrich, Clinton, committee on Baptist papers.

Named as preacher for the 1956 Convention was Dr. Henry P. Stagg, secretary of the state Baptist Convention in New Mexico. His alternate is Rev. James M. Baldwin, pastor of the First Church, Salem, Illinois.

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Sparks & Splinters

Miss Anne Washburn, editorial assistant of the Baptist Record, not only does a good job of writing and editing in the Baptist Record office, but is called on for many other services. For instance, the June issue of the WINDOW OF YWA has a playlet written by her. The title is "For the Lord — Only Leftovers." — A. L. G.

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The Rankin County Baptist Associational Hymn Sing will be held at Paul Truitt Church, Rev. J. L. Reeves, pastor, on Monday night, May 30 at 8:00 o'clock. Every Baptist Church in Rankin county is urged to attend this sing and enjoy the fine Christian fellowship and a wonderful program to be given by different churches in Rankin county.

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Rev. E. C. Horton, pastor of the Bear Creek Church in Attala County, has announced the annual Homecoming services on May 29. Dinner will be served on the ground. Everybody is invited.

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Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Mrs. T. H. Smith, Riverside, California; Rev. and Mrs. Joe Galle, Pocahontas; D. H. White, Pelahatchie; Clyde Everitt, Pelahatchie.

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NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP) — The second revised copy of the booklet, "We Southern Baptists," is off the press and is available at Baptist book stores. The booklet has been rewritten completely with the exception of two chapters, those by the late J. E. Dillard, which have simply been brought up-to-date.

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building from Harperville were: Rita Jones; Ray Sanders; Hilda Waggoner; Mary Fortenberry; Barbara Fortenberry; Carolyn Fortenberry; Hugh Haralson, III; Mittie Sessums; Ernest McAlpin; Kermit Walters; Kenneth Walters; Doyle Jones; Bitsy Nutt; Shirley Brodgon; Mavis Bennett; Timmy Earfield; Kendell McDill; Rev. James Fancher; Hazel Brantley; Dorothy Jones; Becky Townsend; Bobbie Fancher.

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Dr. and Mrs. J. T. McRae, Southern Baptist missionaries to Gaza, have returned to the States on furlough and may be addressed at Baptist Hospital, Winston-Salem, N. C. Dr. McRae is a native of Bonita, and he and Mrs. McRae make their permanent American home in Enterprise.

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Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Mrs. Byron Scruggs, Belzoni; Mrs. Charles Warren, Silver City; Doris Johnson, Hattiesburg; Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Johnson, Hattiesburg; Sherlene Davis, Clarksdale; June Cotton, Macon; Carolyn Davis, Mendenhall.

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sible freedom of religion for all."

Another resolution adopted expressed "unwavering opposition" to the manufacture, sale and use of alcoholic beverages.

The Convention also voted approval of resolutions calling for a "moral awakening" to the deterioration in American home life and public leadership; a "gridding for political action" to curb the "destructive influence"

of alcoholic beverages, and affirmation of the moral imperative to "respect persons of all races and creeds."

Another resolution asked the U. S. Military Academy to rotate its chaplains instead of permitting the superintendent to name the officer who fills this place, a practice that has resulted traditionally in Episcopalian chaplains serving at all times.

The closing session on Saturday night, known as Young Peoples' night, turned the spotlight on tomorrow's leaders as more than 12,000 young people

First Church, Magee, Lays Cornerstone



Shown above are the deacons present at the corner stone laying of the First Church, Magee on May 8. Left to right: Rev. J. B. Smith, Pastor, Will Polk, Truett Kennedy, J. H. Mangum Chairman of deacons, E. T. McAlpin, Secretary, B. A. Smith, L. G. Horn, C. C. Mangum, Walter Hubbard, Bottom row: W. C. Mangum, B. E. Walker, Hilton, Stuard, Fred E. Kennedy, Mack E. Everett, Truman Allen Royce Foster.

The First Church of Magee laid the corner stone to their beautiful new building on May 8th. Dr. Chester L. Quarles preached, and Rev. J. B. Smith, pastor of the Magee church conducted the service of laying the stone.

The new structure is an auditorium with 800 seating capacity, and a three story education building. The church has a membership of 840, with Sunday School enrollment of 653 in the main Sunday School.

The new building was erected

at a cost of \$200,000. It is equipped with modern fixtures including a pipe organ, also a public address system giving the two paid Nursery workers all services over the loud speaker to the Nursery division.

packed Dinner Key auditorium to hear an address by Howard Butt, dynamic young layman and a millionaire groceryman, of Corpus Christi, Tex., who has just returned from England where he assisted Billy Graham in a revival campaign.

The meeting climaxed the four-day gathering in Miami of the 1955 Southern Baptist Convention.

In addition to Butt, the Rev. J. P. Allen of Charlottesville, Va., gave an address. Special music was provided by the 45-voice Stetson University Glee Club under direction of Harold

Giffin.

The program was under direction of Dr. Kearnie Keegan of Nashville, Tenn., secretary of the student department of the Baptist Sunday School Board. He was assisted by Bill Cody, associate in the department.

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British Baptist Membership Declines

LONDON — (RNS) — Baptist church membership in Great Britain decreased by 2,732 during 1954 to a total of 325,896, the annual assembly of the Baptist Union of Great Britain and Ireland was told here. It was the seventh straight year the annual report showed a decline in membership which in 1948 stood at 351,533.

Sunday school enrollment also dropped during the year from 328,988 to 325,597, Dr. Ernest A. Payne, general secretary, reported.

He said 400 married Baptist ministers had received the minimum stipend of 400 pounds (\$1,120) last year and "a much larger number existed on an amount only slightly above this" with the average for all ministers being only 440.

(Editor's Note: This article should open the eyes of those who clamor for open membership, open communion and church union. British Baptists are notorious for them. While Southern Baptists shy away from such, they have shown a marvelous growth. The British grow fewer and fewer. Therefore it seems that unionism, alien immersion, open communion doesn't pay.)

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Children's Page

RANGOON, THE SCAREDY COCK

By SOLVEIG PAULSON
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Mother Hen clucked proudly when she took her first look at the baby rooster who chipped his way from the last egg she had been sitting on.

"Ah," she said, "what a beautiful child he is! I shall call him Rangoon."

After Rangoon was just a few days old, Mother Hen began to wonder if she hadn't made a mistake in giving him such a proud, brave name. The little fellow wasn't proud or brave. He was a scaredy-cock! When all the other chicks were out scratching and cheeping about, he was staying very close to Mother Hen. When she finally dug out a worm for him, he looked at it and darted under her wing, trembling.

All the other chicks laughed. That is, all except Seeannie, his middle-sized sister. She crept under Mother Hen's wing, too, and whispered, "Come on, Rangoon, it won't hurt you. It's just a tiny little worm."

Finally Rangoon came out, but the worm was gone.

Rangoon, continued to be a scaredy-cock, even when all the fuzz was gone from his young body.

One day the farmer looked him over and said to his wife, "Now, there's a fine young rooster for you. Look at the size of him and the build! He's going to be a prize winner, for sure!"

Mother Hen heard him and she was proud but there was a gleam of doubt in her eyes. Seeannie whispered to the little rooster, "See! Even the farmer knows you are a fine cock, and I know it, too! Just stand up for your rights once or twice and you'll begin to feel just like the grand cock-of-the-walk you're going to be!"

Rangoon tried not to be so timid. He tried stretching out his wings and flapping them. He tried running across the barnyard. Yet every time he saw anything looming up before him he scurried back to Mother Hen.

Then, one day, one of Mrs. White Duck's children snapped its broad bill at Seeannie. That made Rangoon mad. He rushed at the duck child and was just about to peck him hard when the young duck turned. He faced the rooster with a wide-open mouth and darting eyes. Rangoon gulped, saw that Seeannie was out of the way, and turned tail and hurried under a bush where he'd be safe.

"Ha-ha! Ah-quack-ha!" screamed all the young ducks. "Scaredy-cock! Scaredy-cock!"

Rangoon felt ashamed. He stayed out of sight as much as

he could, but Seeannie kept an eye on him.

"Never mind about that old duck affair," she said. "I was proud to think you'd even start after that old broad bill!"

Rangoon's tail feathers began to grow and come out in beautiful colors. "You're going to be a beautiful Chanticleer!" exclaimed Seeannie.

"A Chanticleer!" whispered Rangoon to himself. "That's a wonderful name for a very fine rooster! Chanticleers always fly high and crow loudly. Guess I'll try!"

He flew to the very highest post in the barnyard. He stretched his head and flapped his wings. He opened his mouth to crow. But, oh, dear, the noise that came from his yellow mouth was only a funny kind of a screech—not a full proud crow at all. Rangoon ducked his head, and looked down at all the barnyard fowl. They were looking up at him with queer grins and snickers. He went to hide behind the barn, and tucked his head under his wing and shivered in despair.

After that, Rangoon just quietly tended to his own business. He scratched for food, said little to anyone, and felt very lonely. Then, one day as he and Seeannie were scratching near the old straw stack, a dark shadow fell across his path. He looked to see a strange, black, full-grown rooster making his way into the barnyard. He held his head importantly.

"I heard there was a scaredy-cock over here," he said. "I thought I'd just come and take over this barnyard for myself."

Rangoon's wattles turned a brilliant red and the spurs on his legs stiffened. He marched up to the strange cockerel and said, "You can't do that. I'm Rangoon, the rooster, and this is my barnyard!"

Seeannie clucked joyfully and cried, "Go for him, Rangoon! Drive him away!"

Rangoon didn't need to go for him. The black rooster took one look at his angry eyes, and flapped his wings wildly and ran off.

Rangoon was flushed with happiness.

"I did it! I stood up for myself and I scared him!"

"If only the others could have seen it! You'll never be afraid any more," said Seeannie. "I'm really proud of you!"

Rangoon flew to the highest posts of the fence and looked over the barnyard and there was a new gleam in his flashing eyes.

It was while he was standing on the high post that the real test of Rangoon's courage

Starkville, First Adds New Worker



Robert Taylor

First Church, Starkville, has called Robert Taylor as Minister of Music and Education.

Mr. Taylor has been serving in the same capacity in the First Baptist Church, Ardmore, Oklahoma. He received his music and Education Training at the University of Oklahoma and Baylor University. He has served Churches in Oklahoma and Texas.

Mr. Taylor and his family of two daughters moved to Starkville and began his work May 15.

The church purchased a new home for the Taylors in Starkville.

came. He stood there, stretching his neck, looking in every direction, his eyes caught a movement in the tall grass next to the fence.

Fur! Long slinking shape! Sneaking feet and sniffing nose! Rangoon had never seen a weasel before, but he knew that this creature meant death to the barnyard fowl. Quickly he gulped air, then he stretched himself upward and flapped his wings wildly.

"Cock-a-doodle-do! Cock-a-doodle! Danger-to-you!" he screamed. "Weasel! Weasel!"

In a second every fowl flew up on a safe perch and huddled together clacking wildly. The farmer heard the noise and came running. The weasel hurried off.

"Must have been a weasel," said the farmer to his wife. "Boy! Did you hear that rooster; And look at him standing up there on the post like a real Cock-of-the-walk!"

All the barnyard fowl looked up, too.

"Rangoon, the Rooster—a true Chanticleer!" they cried.

Rangoon stretched his neck to the sky and flapped his big wings twice.

"Cock-a-doodle-do! Cock-a-doodle-do!"

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CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCH

By Rev. L. V. YOUNG

Called and Accepted:

J. M. Hart, Boulevard, Tucson, Arizona, from Blair Okla.

Thomas E. Farrar, Jr., First, McCrory, Arkansas.

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George S. Munro, Fort Thomas, Ky., from Gano Ave., Georgetown, Ky.

Don Brown, Hall Summit, Louisiana, from Walnut Hill, Vivian, La.

Elwood G. Kelly, First, Centuria, Mo., from Tipton, Mo.

James Jeffries, First, Republic, Mo., from First, Webb City, Mo.

Ralph Tomek, Carnegie, St. Joseph, Mo., from Southwestern Seminary.

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Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Mrs. R. E. Saul, Jackson; Rev. C. J. Rushing, Laurel; Rev. C. R. Maples, Jackson; Rev. Ralph A. Self, Columbus; Jimmy Stout, Jackson; Jimmy Hust, Jackson; James E. Powell, McComb; Bernard Duggins, Moorhead; Ruth Barlow, Moorhead; Eloyce Squires, Moorhead; Peggy J. Squires, Daddsville.

My Favorite Bible Verse

I. By Mrs. Phillip Tillman, Gulfport

"Take my yoke upon you and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls." (Matthew 11:29, King James Version).

II. By Mrs. A. M. Jones, Hattiesburg

"For the which cause I also suffer these things: nevertheless, I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have committed unto him against that day." (II Timothy 1:12, King James Version).

III. By Mrs. E. H. Moreland, Lena

"Be still and know that I am God." (Psalms 46:10a, King James Version).

IV. By Nola Ainsworth, Taylorsville

"In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." (Proverbs 3:6, King James Version).

The Baptist Record plans to publish four "favorite verses" each week. Readers are invited to send their favorite Bible verse to the Baptist Record, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi.

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Mt. Olive Church of Black Hawk in Carroll County, is having its annual Homecoming Day May 29. The speaker for the morning service will be a former pastor, Rev. J. N. Holloway is the pastor.

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THE WMU MEETING AT MIAMI

"Prayer, the Missionary Imperative" was the theme of the annual session of Woman's Missionary Union, Southern Baptist Convention. More than three thousand registered delegates and visitors were in attendance.

Dr. Walter Judd, missionary to China, now Congressman from Minnesota spoke on the present situation and what we can do. He says it is an hour of dark portent but also one of bright promise. Said he, "The forces of government can buy time for Christian forces to give the gospel, which can change people." He suggested five things we can do:

1. Recapture our faith
2. Rediscover His principles
3. Rediscover our mission
4. Rededicate ourselves to our leader
5. Lift Christ up.

"Prayers, People, and Things" was the subject used by Dr. Porter Routh as he made the Cooperative Program live for us.

Bro. John L. Hill presented in three different sessions the biography of three pioneers — Miss Fannie E. S. Heck, President Woman's Missionary

Union, Southern Baptist Convention, Miss Annie Armstrong and Miss Lottie Moon.

"The Family Fortress" was the subject of a masterful address by Mrs. Clarence T. Nelson of Washington, D. C., mother of the year in D. C. She developed the message along this outline:

Home must be:

1. A refuge for all God's children
2. A recreation center
3. A recruiting center for God's service.

"Wings" was the subject of a moving, dynamic message by Mrs. Nelson. This was developed using this outline:

Whatsoever things are lovely, true . . . think on these things.

In nothing the anxious

Not I, but Christ

Go ye therefore, . . . lo I am with you always.

Stand fast in the faith.

Jesus is the answer to the world's need but we have to be part of that answer."

WHAT GIRLS' AUXILIARY MEANS TO GIRLS

In the words of two QUEENS IN SERVICE, here's what it

means to belong to Girls' Auxiliary:

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"From the programs I have learned much about the work carried on by God's people who have accepted the call to be missionaries. It is interesting to learn of the new fields of service open by our missionaries.

"The Home Mission Week of Prayer programs have helped me realize the power of prayer and the great need of more

missionaries on the home field. The Lottie Moon Christmas program is world-wide and to me is very impressive. The programs and the work I have done in the Girls' Auxiliary have helped me decide on my life's work.

"Work in the Girls' Auxiliary has been a blessing to me."

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Laurel, Second Avenue Dedicates New Auditorium

In a special service of Homecoming and Dedication Sunday, Second Avenue Church of Laurel dedicated the new \$125,000 auditorium. Completed almost one year ago, the auditorium is of colonial architecture and seats 800 people. Underneath the auditorium, on the first floor there is a large assembly room accommodating up to 300, and equipped with stage and dressing rooms for religious plays and programs. Also on this floor there are eight Sunday School class rooms and the Pastor's Study.

Rev. James H. Street, former Pastor, and now Pastor of the First Church, Conway, Ark-

ansas, preached the Dedicatory Sermon.

After lunch, served at the church, Rev. T. E. Fant, former member of Second Avenue, and now Pastor of Harmony Church, Laurel, brought an inspirational message. The message for the evening service was brought by Dr. W. Levon Moore, present Pastor of the church. The offering for the day, amounting to over \$3,000, was applied to the Building Fund.

During the last three months, since the coming of the present Pastor, the church has had 43 additions, with 22 of these by baptism.

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Sunday School Lesson

By
DR. L. BRACEY CAMPBELL

HEZEKIAH MEETS A CRISIS

Bible Text: II Chronicles 31-33; Isaiah 36-39; II Kings 18:13-19:37.

INTRODUCTION. Here is an appropriate place for a bit of reflection to the effect that great events in the world always cluster around a few great names. Here the mighty nation of Assyria is seen hurling an attack upon the storied city of Jerusalem, an aggressive war of conquest destined to affect the lives of millions of people, and yet we are led to notice the paucity of names of men involved in it as leaders on both sides: for Assyria, Sennacherib and Rabshakeh (Rabshekah); for Judah and Jerusalem, King Hezekiah and one preacher, Isaiah the eloquent.

Judged by the space devoted to an account of this invasion of Judah by Sennacherib and his threat against Jerusalem, this was the greatest single event recorded in sacred history from the fall of Jericho under Joshua to the fall of Jerusalem under Nebuchadnezzar. The printed text of our lesson gives the briefest account of all. The account begins with a startling statement and ends with a funeral dirge. II Chronicles 31 gives further details regarding certain results of the great revival promoted by Hezekiah, the events and results of which are recorded in chapters 29 and 30.

I. WHAT FOLLOWED THE FAITHFUL DOINGS OF HEZEKIAH

"After these things, and this faithfulness, Sennacherib, King of Assyria, came, and entered into Judah, and encamped against the fortified cities, and thought to win them for himself." As crusty old Fred Sullens might say, "Mull that over in your thinking." Here is a king who sought the will of God to do it, led the thought of his subjects in a long-delayed and sorely needed return to the worship of Jehovah, set them an example worthy of the most

humble and sincere spirits in their quest of God, and cleansed their land of the abominable objects of idolatrous worship, and when all was done, the glorious work of revival brought to a successful terminus, "Sennacherib King of Assyria came."

Cap that, now, if you can. After a period of reverent and faithful heart searching and sincere service of the Almighty, Crash! and the iron hammer of affliction smites with the shattering force of a battering ram! You ever have a thing like that smite you into the dust? A good man leaned against a big tree for support and said to me, "Just a few years ago, I got right with God, found the right way and joined the church, through which I have honestly tried to serve him, both with a tithe of my slender income, and the devotion of my heart. And now my heart, my physical heart, has broken down and I must very soon die. Had this come before I came to Him, reason might have said, 'It is just'; but after I came to live the better life for His dear sake alone, why has He left me so little time". Just one week later we laid his mortal clay back in the bosom of mother earth, but I never answered his question. Could you?

And tomorrow I go to pronounce the funeral of a younger man than I, and one that has loved me since he was a boy, and always a good boy and a good man. Years ago he lost a leg and ever since has suffered a score of deaths, and now, on this lively Sunday afternoon, his body lies a sheeted and confined corpse, awaiting the morrow and the rest of the quiet grave. Have you the key to that door? I can only bow my head and say, "Thy laws are good and righteous altogether, thy doings are just and merciful forever. I will await the dawning of the fuller light, when I shall see Thee face to face".

II. HEZEKIAH'S WORKS IN THE CRISIS

The King of Judah trusted the Lord Jehovah, no doubt, but he was not content merely to trust and make no effort to put himself and his people in the service of his God. There is a time for one to work as

there is a time for him to pray; there is a time for one to work even while he prays. The king took counsel with his princes and his mighty men, adopted a plan of defense, planned a work and then worked that plan. So an ample supply of water was assured the city and the physical walls of her defense were made strong.

These things accomplished, the king organized his men into an army under officers the most competent he could secure. All these preparations raised the morale of the people, no doubt, and tended in the direction of giving them assurance of their ability to give a good account of themselves when they should be forced to face the enemy in defense of their firesides and their families.

III. HEZEKIAH'S WORDS IN THE CRISIS

"Be strong and of good courage." How these words remind us of their use by the Lord in His commission to Joshua long before! "Be not afraid nor dismayed, for the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that is with him; for there is a greater with us than with him: with his is an arm of flesh; but with us is Jehovah our God to help us, and to fight our battles".

Kneel at the copious pool of Siloam and drink to the quenching of your physical thirst, climb the heights about the city and look down upon the splendid walls your hands have constructed, but then look up, forget it not, I pray you, till your souls grow strong with a vision of Almighty Power, till the ears of your hearts are assailed and enthralled with the truth expressed in Luther's deathless words, "A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing."

Jehovah our God is neither asleep nor impotent. Though stormclouds lower and tempests bellow and thunders bark and howl their anger like the unleashed hounds of hell, and forked daggers of darting lightnings stab the stormgod's shuddering clouds, and though all seems lost, "Behind the dim unknown standeth God within the shadow, Keeping watch above His own".

It was to Him that Hezekiah directed the gaze of his people as the source of all their strength.

IV. HEZEKIAH'S VICTORY

Hezekiah went to the Lord for help. There was the Lord's response through the word of His golden-mouthed prophet, Isaiah, most eloquent of all the preachers. Hezekiah's victory over the hosts of Sennacherib was won the moment that his faith gave full acceptance to the message of the God of hosts.

V. HEZEKIAH IS HEIR OF GOD'S MIRACLE

See what followed! No army assailed the walls of Jerusalem, no lance was shivered against her doors, no mound was cast

Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

Tithing Problem

Question: My husband and I have a small business and we are still in debt for it. We try to make our payments and keep our children in school. However, we have never paid ourselves a salary, therefore we don't know how we are supposed to tithe.

Our problem is twofold: How are we to compute our tithe? And should we put it all through the church? We also donate to Red Cross and other causes.

Answer: Your second question is an easy one. Of course, your tithe should be put through the church. It is not yours to use as you see fit. "The tithe is the Lord's." You have no more right to control it than you have to withhold it. A New Testament Church treasury is the place for a Christian's tithe.

Now about figuring the tithe. You must know about how much you are taking out of your business to live on. If you do not, Uncle Sam may have you before a judge before long. It seems to me that what you are taking out of business to live on is your personal income. Give a tenth of that.

Be thoroughly conscientious in estimating your tithe and the Lord will bless you — spiritual.

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up against her walls, no son of hers was called upon to shed his blood in her defense. "The Assyrian came down like a wolf on the fold, And his cohorts were gleaming with silver and Gold," but before they had raised the first shout of onset, "The angel of death spread his wings on the blast, And breathed in the face of the foe as he passed", and that was all and it was sufficient.

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ly especially. It is a good feeling to know that you are being honest with God.

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(Address all questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.)

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torrid tempers and "nary" a word of recrimination. The paper even quoted Matthew 5:34.

Dr. J. W. Storer is credited with the story of the salesman who went to a church seeking a sale for his product. He was sent from person to person and finally landed in the pastor's office. His patience being almost exhausted, he told the pastor that he wanted to see someone with a little authority. The pastor replied, "I am your man. I am man of VERY little authority around here."

Dr. Storer was illustrating the fact that Baptist churches are autonomous and have no overloads.

According to Dr. Albert McClellan, more papers had reporters on hand than ever before. Among those present were full-time staff members from New York; Washington; Chicago; Dallas; Oklahoma City; Memphis; Louisville, Kentucky; Fort Worth; Nashville; Jackson, Mississippi; New Orleans; Atlanta; Jacksonville; and others whose connection were not checked.

During one of the many heavy downpours of rain the song leader in announcing a hymn said, "I had planned to sing 'Heavenly Sunshine,' but I think 'There Shall Be Showers of Blessings' would be more appropriate."

Connected with the audi-

torium is a first class restaurant. And there are several others nearby. The manager of the restaurant reported that on the first day of the Convention they sold 30,000 hot dogs.

The auditorium manager said that the Southern Baptist Convention is the largest Convention ever to meet in Miami. "The most popular drink, according to the concession manager, was orange juice. He reported that on the first day he sold 278 gallons. Also sold that day were 70 chocolate cakes, 230 pies, 900 pieces of other pastry, and 9,000 cups of ice cream.

And this was only one of the hundreds of eating places patronized by the Baptists.

He also said that one of the most noticeable things was, as the manager said, "The fact that all the children were well-behaved."

One hotel manager said that he had less breakage during the Convention than any other Convention ever held in Miami.

One bellhop, on being congratulated on the big crowd and the probability of many and generous tips, is reported to have said, "All that these preachers brought with them is a ten-dollar bill and the Ten Commandments and they have not broken either."

Dr. Herbert Gezork, first vice-president of the American Baptists Convention, said that the union of church and state is like a shotgun wedding, with the state having the gun, and

it is never satisfactory.

He also told of the German pastor who went every day to see the passenger train come by. When asked the reason he replied, "I like to see something GO that doesn't have to be pushed."

The Foreign Mission Board reported that they now have over one thousand missionaries. The exact figure is 1,002.

It was pointed out that for years no layman had been named president of the Convention.

Prominently displayed was a poster reading, "Our day calls for heroic living and New Testament giving."

With 458 Baptist ministers on duty as chaplains, the Southern Baptist Convention has filled its quota. However, there are opening for ministers to serve as chaplains of reserve units.

According to Dr. Storer, "Baptists still are dogmatic about some things because they believe they are scripturally right and that the Bible does not allow for any other way of doing things."

"Believing in everything, they balk at nothing—though one must admit of many such, they are both loquacious and gracious whilst they strive to make the word safe for their own hobbies. Of one like this it was said, 'He moved out into the mystic beyond like a ghost, beyond men, beyond the universe, beyond all gods into the place where words grew deep because they lost their meaning, and it was he and neither was the other and both, and we all felt philosophic and unconscious, and put it down in our notebooks and went home, after meditating awhile.'—J. W. Storer.

"America needs a crusade for the reestablishment of the family altar. This does not mean another piece of furniture! It means a prayer time together as a family; it means a reading and studying of the Bible together; it means facing each problem and opportunity with the question: 'What would God have us do?'—Mrs. Clarence T. Nelson.

"The non-Christian ideologies, Communism, Mohammedanism, and even Roman Catholicism, are challenging us at every step. The only alternative, and the only hope for the world is the evangelical message of Jesus fully implemented. If we believe this, we Southern Baptists, then we had better start practicing it right now, all of us!—Elmo Scoggin.

"Baptists derive from the principle of soul-liberty their insistence upon the separation of church and state. The marriage of church and state, wherever it takes place, is a kind of shotgun-marriage; and that is usually not a happy one. The close association of church and state has always been a tragic one for the church. Whether the state tried to subordinate



Shown above is a group of Baptist leaders at the speakers' stand at the recent meeting of the Southern Baptist Convention. They are left to right: Dr. J. W. Storer, Convention president; Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta; Dr. J. W. Grey, New Orleans; and Dr. Porter Routh, Executive Secretary.

and use the church for its own ends, as it happened in Nazi Germany, and as it happens to-

day in communistic countries, or whether the church tries to use the state for its own ends, as does the Church of Rome, the result is always the same: a spiritual tyranny. We believe that the church should be the moral conscience of the state, as of any other organization or institution, but let it keep itself free from any entanglements with the state."—Herbert Gezork.

"Mental illness, nervous frustrations, stomach ulcers, chronic dyspepsia and many other ailments could know major healing through the power of prayer. It could be the greatest preventative for these sicknesses that man knows. Maybe part of the trouble is that it is free."—Mrs. Clarence T. Nelson.

"The organized church has a shameful record where the Jews are concerned. It is certainly not held in high regard anywhere in the Near-East. Of all the denominations, only Baptists have no anti-Semitism in their record. The name 'Baptist' commands much more respect than the name Christian. A friend once introduced me to a stranger. 'Is he a Christian?' asked the stranger. 'Chas ve chalela,' answered my friend, 'God forbid! He is a Baptist!'—Elmo Scoggin.

"Must we not be concerned to see that our nation spends nearly ten times as much on liquor as on all religious causes together? We sing: O Zion, haste, Thy mission high fulfilling,"—yet the average American Christian spends for the cause of Christian world missions as much as the price of one bottle of hair tonic. It has been estimated that the world today spends on armaments in one day more than the Christian church has spent for the cause of evangelizing the world

since the day of the first Pentecost in Jerusalem."—Hebert Gezork.

"This growing awareness of God's call is indicated by the number of missionaries now being appointed. At the beginning of 1955 we announced our hope of being able to report by the end of this year a total of 1,000 missionaries under appointment. I am happy tonight to state to the meeting of this Convention that we now have 1,002 missionaries for service in thirty-five countries and territories. We can now sing with increased meaning, 'O, For A Thousand Tongues To Sing, Our Great Redeemer's Praise.'—Dr. Baker James Cauthen.

We are declaring His glory there to countless multitudes of people. More than half the people of the world live in Asia. That means that Asia contains more people than all our United States, plus Canada, all of Latin America, Europe, Africa, and the islands of the South sea, all put together! We find in the Orient areas with great density of population. We find there the greatest number of unsaved people. We see in Asia teeming masses who have never even heard the name of Jesus. If we are to preach the gospel to every creature, as our Lord commanded surely the multitudes of Asia lay great claim on our resources."—Winston Crawley.

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Louie Thomas Varner has been a member of Laurel, First for four years, where he has excelled in every phase of activities—choir, Sunday school Training Union, Royal Ambassadors and Boy Scouts—having attained the rank of Eagle Scout and earned the God and Country Award. He entered Mississippi State College, where he surrendered to the ministry, and then transferred to Mississippi College.



Lloyd Brannon, Jr., was active in all church activities, and also earned the Eagle Scout rank. He said he first felt the call to preach while attending Royal Ambassador Camp at Garaywa several years ago. Lloyd surrendered to preach in 1954, and he too, transferred from an engineering course at Mississippi State to Mississippi College.

Louie plans to do foreign mission work, and he and Lloyd served as Pastor and Associate Pastor in the recent Youth Week activities at First Church, Laurel.



Edwin Young, like Lloyd Brannon, grew up in the same church, but is one year younger than the other two boys. He has also been active in all church work. Edwin is completing his first year as an engineering student at the University of Alabama, and on a recent visit home, surrendered to the ministry on May 8. He is finishing the year in his present school and plans to enter Mississippi College this fall.

All three boys have been licensed by the church to preach.

In addition to these three, the church has at least six other Intermediates and Young People who have dedicated their lives to the Lord for vocational service.

Dr. T. R. McKibbens is pastor.

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WICHITA, Kans. — (BP) — A Southern Baptist seminary extension center will be established here next fall, the first in the state of Kansas. It will be sponsored by the Sedwick Baptist Association and be directed by Raymond Collier, superintendent of missions for Sedwick Association.

S-Louisville Plans Building Fund Day

On Sunday, May 29, the South Louisville Church will launch a building program.

The South Louisville church is a "daughter" of the First Church, Louisville. Until 1949 it was a mission. Since that date it has been a self supporting, progressive Church. There is now a definite need for more room and a definite need for a pastor's home.

On May 29 the church will begin definite planning and gathering funds for an Educational Plant and for a pastor's home. The plans are for three services during the day, with lunch served on the church grounds at the noon hour.

Dr. Martin J. Gilbert, Secretary of the Department of Rural Church Work in Miss., will speak at the morning and evening worship services, and Rev. James H. Fairchild, Pastor of the First Church, Louisville, will speak at the afternoon worship service. Rev. B. W. Hudson is the pastor.

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Dr. L. B. Campbell Is Honored For His Work



Dr. L. B. Campbell

Shown above is Dr. Lawrence Bracey Campbell, who has written the Sunday School Lessons in the Baptist Record for a longer period than any other man in the history of the paper. Because of the quality of these "lessons" Bracey Campbell's name has become known to thousands of readers of the Baptist Record.

A leader in a Delta Church said to Dr. Campbell recently, "You have helped our church and the young people from our city in your college say you helped them. Here is a check for \$100.00, a grant-in-aid from the church further to assist you in taking your summer's study this year." This \$100 raises the total of his current grant-in-aid to \$650.

At Mississippi College Dr. Campbell is professor of philosophy, to which position he was called by President Nelson eight

Parochial School Bus Bill Killed In Missouri

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. — (RNS) — Two bills designed to provide transportation for private and parochial school pupils at public expense were killed by the House public school committee here.

Both measures were sponsored by Rep. Jennie Spindler Walsh of St. Louis. The bills were the most controversial of this year's General Assembly session. Thousands of supporters and opponents attended various committee hearings on the measures.

Proponents argued that if Roman Catholic or other church groups were willing to foot the bill for educating their students, the state should pay the cost of transporting them. They also contended that extension of transportation to parochial school pupils was primarily a safety measure and, therefore, in the public interest.

Opponents pointed to a Missouri Supreme Court decision holding that, under present laws, students of church schools could not be carried on buses transporting public school pupils. They also charged that the proposed legislation would violate constitutional provisions for separation of Church and State.

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Mrs. Georganne Langston — Mrs. Georganne Langston of Oakvale died on Friday night, April 30, at the age of 88 years and eight months. Her husband, W. D. Langston, preceded her in death by 22 years.

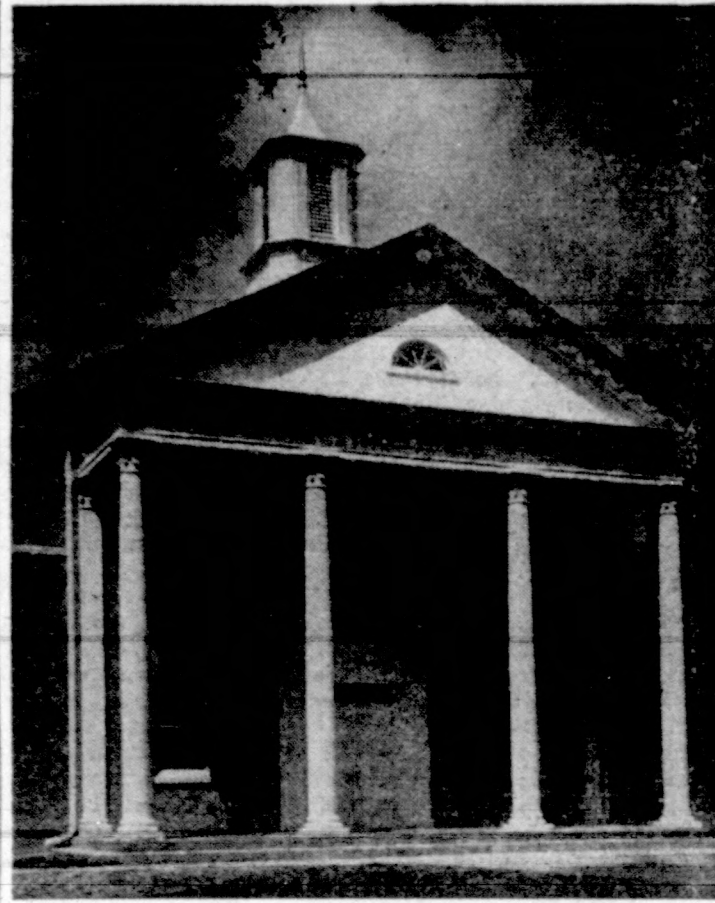
Survivors include one son, Archie D. Langston, Oakvale; three daughters: Mrs. Herston Williamson and Mrs. O. R. Polk, Oakvale, and Mrs. J. F. Guice, Sicily Island, Louisiana; 37 grandchildren; a large number of great-grandchildren; and seven great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by her pastor, Rev. Claude H. Fortenberry, in Society Hill Church, where she had been a faithful member since her early years. Interment was in the church cemetery by the side of her husband.

Although physically ill for the last three years of her life, she was a spiritual giant—large in faith in God, in humility, and courage, and sweetness.

By Mrs. Archie D. Langston — years ago and charged by the president to grow a department of philosophy, a department the college did not have. Other courses have been added to those then offered till at present the enrichment represents a growth of more than 200 per cent.

Professor Campbell's cultural background includes Master's degrees in Arts, Oratory, Christian Training, and Theology, with a Th. D. from the New Orleans Seminary.



Shown above is the front of the Baptist Chapel located in the northern section of Greenwood. The first service, a consecration service, was held in it Sunday afternoon, May 22.

The chapel was planned and erected by the First Church, Greenwood, Dr. J. H. Kyzar, pastor, and is designed to accommodate 355. Rev. W. S. Watson has been called as pastor. A church will be organized as soon as the group is able to function unassisted.

Lake Church To Have Homecoming



Lake Church, shown above, Rev. R. L. Jordan, pastor, will have Homecoming Day on May 29.

Dr. A. A. Kitchings, of the Mississippi College faculty and a former pastor, will deliver the Homecoming sermon at 11:00 A. M.

Lunch will be served at noon and will be followed by an afternoon fellowship hour.

Organized 88 years ago with eight members, the membership roll now totals 208.

The present church building is a part of the original structure. As the church has grown in numbers many improvements and additions have been made such as Sunday School rooms, a baptistry, new organ, kitchen, and new furniture.

In 1924 a pastorium was purchased.

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